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DISTRICT MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO KILLING FORMER GIRLFRIEND

WASHINGTON - A 23-year-old District man, Anton Mack, has pled guilty to one count of Second Degree Murder while Armed in connection with the March 9, 2007, shooting death of his former girlfriend, Terrian Cormack, Acting U.S. Attorney Channing D. Phillips announced today. Mack pled guilty earlier today in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia before the Honorable Ronna L. Beck. Sentencing was continued until December 2, 2009, where Mack faces a maximum sentence of 40 years of incarceration.

At the plea hearing, Mack admitted that he and the decedent met in front of her house at 1658 F Street, NE, Washington, D.C. on the afternoon of Friday, March 9, 2009. At approximately 3:15 p.m., they went inside of the decedent's home, whereupon Mack pulled out a gun and shot her once in the head at point blank range, before fleeing the scene. The decedent's two sons, ages seven and nine at the time of the shooting, arrived home from Minor Elementary School at approximately 3:30 p.m. While the oldest boy went upstairs, the youngest boy walked into the kitchen. While in the kitchen, he looked into the dining room and saw his mother on the ground bleeding from the head. He nudged her, but she did not move. The oldest boy called his father, then the police.

While there were no eyewitnesses, further investigation revealed that several people had observed Mack and the decedent in front of 1658 F Street less than fifteen minutes before the two boys found their mother dead. No one else was observed going into the house before the arrival of the two boys.

In announcing the guilty plea, Acting U.S. Attorney Phillips commended the work of MPD Detectives Dwayne Partman, Robert Arrington, Anthony Paci, Sean Cain, Edward Truesdale, and J.P. Johnson of the Violent Crime Branch, Grant Greenwalt, J.D. Smith and Tina Ramadhan of the Mobile Crime Unit, and Sean MacKenzie and Alexis Sakulich of the First District. He also commended Paralegal Specialists Kelly Blakeney and Marian Russell, Victim Witness Advocate Marcia Rinker, and members from the Litigation Support, Dontrell Smith, Paul Howell, Leif Hickling, William Henson, and Jeanie Latiore-Brown. Finally, he commended Assistant U.S. Attorney Charles W. Cobb, who investigated and is prosecuting the case.